

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph that begins on line 4, page 4 of the application as follows:

Figs. 1 - 35 illustrate a preferred embodiment of the incinerator pre-fill chamber in accordance with the present invention. The pre-fill chamber essentially comprising of an elongated case, the case having a side door that opens for loading material to be burned, and a trap door that opens when a plunger is actuated. The design and construction of the incinerator pre-fill chamber allows the chamber to introduce the material to be burned to the combustible container of the incinerator while material is burning within the incinerator. As such, the present invention avoids the practice of the prior art which requires the operator to only load material within the incinerator once the fire within the incinerator has burned-out.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on line 11, page 5 of the application as follows:

As shown in Figs. 4 4A and 5, the lid 113 of the incinerator 100 is modified to include an opening 117 sized and shaped to receive the lower portion of the pre-fill chamber 10. A trunion stop 34 is disposed on a first side 114A of the opening 117 and a second trunion stop 34 (~~not shown~~) is disposed on a second side 114B of the opening 117, which second side 114B is opposite the first side 114A of the opening 117. A closure plate 140 having a weighted end 140A is pivotally attached to an edge 145 disposed on the upper surface 113A of the lid 113 at pivot point designated "P" in Fig. 1. The closure plate 140 having a first position and a second position. In the first position (shown in Fig. 5), the closure plate 140 ~~is~~ is disposed in a substantially horizontal position such that the plate 140 effectively covers the opening 117 so that the container 111 is completely closed for burning. In the second position, as shown in Figs. 1 and 4A, the

closure plate 140 is pivotally positioned in a substantially vertical position such that the opening 117 receives the pre-fill chamber 10 as will be further discussed.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on line 24, page 5 of the application as follows:

In application, an operator lays the pre-fill chamber 10 on a convenient surface, then opens the side door 25, retracts the plunger 15, and places the material to be burned within the chamber 22 of the pre-fill chamber 10. The operator verifies that the trap door 30 is closed, and then closes the side door 25 with the material to be burned within the pre-fill chamber 10. The pre-fill chamber 10 is then positioned on the closure plate 140 of the lid 113 of the incinerator 100, so that the trap door 30 is resting on the upper surface of the closure plate 140. The case 20 of the pre-fill chamber 10 is then urged downward so that the closure plate 140 is placed in its second position and the lower portion of the case 20 having the trap door 30 is positioned through the opening 117 and within the container 111 so that the container 111 remains closed with the insertion of the case 20. In this position, the section (~~not~~ shown in Fig. 5) of the closure plate 140 that had the trap door 30 resting thereon is received within container 111 as the case 20 is downwardly urged into the container 111. The case 20 is downwardly urged until the pair of trunions 32 come in contact with the trunion stops 34. The trunion stops 34 serve to keep the pre-fill chamber 10 in place over the opening 117 in the lid 113, and further controls the distance the pre-fill chamber 10 enters the container 111.